

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED ACTION PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 10
FOR FY 2006 CDBG DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDS

December 29, 2006

In accordance with Act 5 of the 1st Extraordinary Session of 2006, the Louisiana Recovery Authority Board (LRA) has approved for public comment resolutions for the use of Supplemental Community Development Block Grant funds for the activities described below. The LRA and the Office of Community Development (OCD) developed the proposed Action Plan Amendment with regard to \$340 million of the federal supplemental appropriation for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita disaster recovery and rebuilding efforts administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. In addition to approval by the LRA Board, the proposed Action Plan Amendment is subject to approval by the Governor, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget and the Louisiana Legislature.

Action Plan Amendment No. 10 proposes allocating \$200 million of Community Development Block Grant funds for the Long Term Community Recovery Program to provide funding for implementation of local long-term recovery plans in the most heavily impacted areas of the state. The distribution among the parishes will be based on an estimate of damage inflicted by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

The States also proposes to allocate \$40 million for the Private Non-Profit Infrastructure Program to provide the non-federal match for FEMA Public Assistance funds paid to eligible private non-profit K-12 schools and universities.

In addition, the State wishes to amend the Local Government Emergency Infrastructure Activity, which was previously described in the State's first action plan. The State requests that an additional \$100 million be allocated to this activity to cover the non-federal match requirements for FEMA Public Assistance in Categories A and B. Because of the economic impacts of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, most local government entities do not have the financial capacity to pay these match costs.

Copies of the proposed Action Plan Amendment No. 10 will be available for distribution and may be requested in writing or by telephone at (225) 342-7412 from the Division of Administration, OCD. This Action Plan Amendment will also be made available today on the internet at www.LouisianaRebuilds.info.

Written comments on the proposed Action Plan Amendment may be submitted beginning today and must be received no later than 5:00 PM (CST) on January 8, 2007. The Proposed Action Plan Amendment will be published in Vietnamese and Spanish translations at the same website. Comments may be mailed to the Office of Community Development, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 or sent via facsimile to (225) 342-1947. Comments may also be submitted online at www.LouisianaRebuilds.info.

Vietnamese:

Muốn biết thêm chi tiết về Kế Hoạch Hành Động, xin gọi số (225) 342-7412 hoặc viết về địa chỉ điện thư paul.catrou@la.gov.

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